Alpinia sp. (Zinziberaceae), 49443. From Chama, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala. Seeds collected by Mr. Wilson Popenoe, agricultural explorer. "No. 282a. A plant resembling Alpinia nutans in foliage, and producing close to the ground large numbers of bright red fruits about an inch long, containing small hard seeds surrounded by a mucilaginous pulp, much used by the Kekchi Indians as an ingredient of soups and stews. Kekchi name, 'tzih.'" (Popenoe.)

Amygdalus davidiana (Amygdalaceae), 49409. Peach. From Sacaton, Arizona. Seeds presented by Mr. S. H. Hastings, director, Agricultural Experiment Station, through Prof. S. C. Mason, Bureau of Plant Industry. "One of the trees of Amygdalus davidiana differed so strikingly from the others that I made special note of it. The top was more round and open; the branches thicker, more rigid, and the small twigs thicker and shorter, and decidedly less willowy than in the ordinary type. The leaves were broader than usual, less acuminate, and with coarser marginal serrations. The fruits were unusually large with flesh unusually thick and soft and of a more downy appearance than those of the usual type." (Mason.)

Ananas sativus (Bromeliaceae), 49370. Pineapple. From Tucuru, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala. Suckers collected by Mr. Wilson Popenoe, agricultural explorer. "No. 266. A choice variety of pineapple from Tucuru, at an altitude of about 3,200 feet. It is known to the few Americans in this region as the 'sugar loaf pineapple' because of its sweetness. It is described by R. W. Hempstead, through whose courtesy I have obtained these suckers, as large, broadly oval, with white, very juicy, sweet-flavored flesh." (Popenoe.)

Annona scleroderma (Annonaceae), 49371. From Tucuru, Alta Verapaz, Guatemala. Seeds collected by Mr. Wilson Popenoe, agricultural explorer. "No. 249a. 'Posh' (Kekchi); Spanish orthography 'pox'; sometimes called in English, 'hard-shelled custard-apple.' A rare species of Annona from Chama, on the Rio Chisoy, altitude 950 feet. In size of tree and habit of growth this species resembles Annona reticulata. In foliage, however, it is quite distinct. The leaves are oblong to oblong-lanceolate, 6 to 9 inches long, 2 to 3 inches broad, shortly acuminate, coriaceous, deep green and almost glossy above, paler beneath.